

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A work surface assembly comprising:
a fixed portion;
a movable portion adapted to move with respect to the fixed portion;
and
a storage device including a material holder in connection with the movable portion and the fixed portion, the material holder moving from a first position to a second position in conjunction with movement of the movable portion;
wherein in the first position the material holder is located in a substantially covered configuration and in the second position at least a portion of the material holder is in an uncovered configuration.
2. The work surface assembly according to claim 1, wherein an external surface of the fixed portion and an external surface of the movable portion comprise a work surface and a size of the work surface in the first position is substantially equal to a size of the work surface in the second position.
3. The work surface assembly according to claim 1, wherein the material holder is comprised of a file holder, a tray, a pouch, or a pocket.
4. The work surface assembly according to claim 1, wherein the material holder is comprised of a flexible member.
5. The work surface assembly according to claim 4, wherein the flexible member has a first end connected to the movable portion and a second end connected to the fixed portion.

6. The work surface assembly according to claim 4, wherein the movement of the movable portion reconfigures the flexible member from a substantially un-flexed configuration in the first position to a substantially flexed configuration in the second position.

7. The work surface assembly according to claim 4, further comprising a component positioned in the flexible member.

8. The work surface assembly according to claim 1, wherein the storage device further comprises a track extending in a direction of movement of the movable portion and the track is connected to the material holder and is adapted to receive a guide connected to the movable portion.

9. The work surface assembly according to claim 8, wherein:
the track includes a slot;
at least a portion of the guide rests within the slot; and
movement of the movable portion moves the guide along the slot to move the material holder from the first position to the second position.

10. The work surface assembly according to claim 9, wherein a bracket connects the guide and the movable portion.

11. The work surface assembly according to claim 8, further comprising a vertical track cooperating with the fixed portion and the material holder to substantially constrain the movement of the material holder to a path between the first position and the second position.

12. The work surface assembly according to claim 1, further comprising two storage devices.

13. The work surface assembly according to claim 1, wherein the fixed portion is a wall of the work surface assembly and the movable portion comprises a majority of a usable work surface.

14. The work surface assembly according to claim 1, wherein the second position exposes the material holder to the external environment through an opening formed between the movable portion and the fixed portion.

15. The work surface assembly according to claim 1, wherein the material holder comprises:

a first material holder portion; and

a second material holder portion;

wherein the first material holder portion and the second material holder portion are positioned adjacent one another.

16. The work surface assembly according to claim 15, wherein the first material holder comprises a flexible member having a first end attached to the movable portion and a second end attached to the fixed portion, wherein the movement of the movable portion stretches the flexible member from a substantially un-flexed configuration in the first position to a substantially flexed configuration in the second position.

17. The work surface assembly according to claim 16, wherein the second material holder portion further comprises a storage device having a track extending in a direction of movement of the movable portion, wherein the track is connected to the material holder and is adapted to receive a guide connected to the movable portion.

18. The work surface assembly according to claim 17, wherein:
the track includes a slot;
at least a portion of the guide rests within the slot; and
movement of the movable portion moves the guide along the slot to
move the material holder from the first position to the second position.
19. The work surface assembly according to claim 18, wherein the guide
connects to the movable portion with a bracket.
20. A desk assembly comprising:
a fixed portion;
a movable portion adapted to move with respect to the fixed portion;
a material holder; and
a movement assembly comprising a track and a guide cooperating with
the material holder and the movable portion;
wherein the track is adapted to provide a path for the guide to move the
material holder from a first position in an internal environment of the desk to a second
position that exposes the material holder to an external environment of the desk in
conjunction with movement of the movable portion.
21. The desk assembly according to claim 20, wherein:
the track extends in a direction of movement of the movable portion
and is angled with respect to the movable portion, wherein the track is attached to the
material holder and has a slot that receives the guide; and
movement of the movable portion moves the guide along the slots to
move the material holder from the first position to the second position.
22. The desk assembly according to claim 21, wherein the fixed portion is
a wall of the desk assembly and the movable portion comprises a majority of the
working surface of the desk assembly.

23. The desk assembly according to claim 20, wherein the material holder is a file holder.

24. The desk assembly according to claim 23, further comprising a vertical track cooperating with the wall and the file holder to substantially constrain the movement of the file holder between the first position and the second position.

25. The desk assembly according to claim 20, wherein the second position substantially exposes the material holder to the external environment through an opening formed between the movable portion and the fixed portion.

26. A desk assembly comprising:
a fixed portion;
a movable portion adapted to move with respect to the fixed portion;
and
a movement assembly comprising a flexible member having a first end attached to the fixed portion and a second end attached to the movable portion;
wherein movement of the movable portion in a direction away from the fixed portion changes a configuration of the flexible member from a slack configuration to a un-slacked configuration; and
wherein the flexible member is in the slacked configuration in a first position in an internal environment of the desk and in an un-slacked configuration in a second position that exposes the flexible member to an external environment of the desk assembly.

27. The desk assembly according to claim 26, wherein the flexible member includes a component.

28. The desk assembly according to claim 27, wherein the component is an electrical outlet or device.

29. A desk assembly comprising:
at least two supports, wherein each of the supports has a top surface;
a panel positioned between the two supports and defining a knee space;
and
a movable portion positioned between the supports and adapted to
move between a first position substantially aligned with the top surface of the
supports and a second position misaligned with the top surface of the supports, in at
least one direction;
wherein the top surfaces of the supports and the movable portion each
form a portion of a top surface of the desk assembly.

30. The desk assembly according to claim 29, further comprising a
material holder cooperating with the movable portion to move between a first position
in an internal environment of the assembly to a second position exposed to an external
environment of the assembly.

31. The desk assembly according to claim 30, wherein the material holder
includes a flexible member.

32. The desk assembly according to claim 31, wherein the flexible member
has a first end connected to the movable portion and a second end connected to the
fixed portion.

33. The desk assembly according to claim 31, wherein the movement of
the movable portion stretches the flexible member from a substantially un-flexed
configuration in the first position to a substantially flexed configuration in the second
position.

34. The desk assembly according to claim 33, further including a component positioned in the flexible member.

35. The desk assembly according to claim 29, wherein the at least two supports include a first pedestal and a second pedestal.

36. The desk assembly according to claim 30, wherein the second material holder portion further comprises a storage device having a track extending in a direction of movement of the movable portion, wherein the track is connected to the material holder and is adapted to receive a guide connected to the movable portion.

37. The desk assembly according to claim 36, wherein:
the track includes a slot;
at least a portion of the guide rests within the slot; and
movement of the movable portion moves the guide along the slot to move the material holder from the first position to the second position.

38. The desk assembly according to claim 37, wherein the guide connects to the movable portion with a bracket.

39. The desk assembly according to claim 36, further comprising a vertical track cooperating with the fixed portion and the material holder to allow the material holder to move only between the first position and the second position.

40. The desk assembly according to claim 30, further comprising two material holders.

41. A work surface assembly comprising:
a fixed portion;
a movable portion;
a means for holding materials; and
a means for moving the material holder from a first position to a second position in conjunction with movement of the movable portion;
wherein in the first position the material holder is located in a substantially covered configuration and in the second position at least a portion of the material holder is in an uncovered configuration.

42. The assembly according to claim 41, further comprising at least a first means for supporting a portion of a movable portion and a second means for supporting a portion of the movable portion.

43. The assembly according to claim 42, wherein the first means is a first pedestal and the second means is a second pedestal.

44. The assembly according to claim 41, wherein the means for holding materials comprises a first material holder portion and a second material holder portion.

45. The work surface assembly means according to claim 44, wherein the first material holder portion and a second material holder portion are positioned adjacent one another.